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## Fourth District Meeting Regular Meeting Held Tuesday

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supervisor of the Fourth district and the movement for a new county charter it was resolved to accept the report of Secretary Gadeky of Torrance, seconded by Alfred Gourdiar, that the committee be continued and that it should meet in conference with the Southwestern organizations of Los Angeles.

Chairman Finkle, speaking for himself, stated that he would be remembered that he, at a former meeting, expressed himself against a recall of the supervisor and that he had unqualifiedly endorsed the movement for the election of a board of freeholders and the adoption of a new charter for the county.

**Vermont Avenue**  
Captain John Hanson of San Pedro arose to state that he had been informed by the highest authority that Vermont avenue would be built at once. Robert Robertson of Gardena stated that City Engineer Griffin of Los Angeles has a crew of men at work at the present moment on the Los Angeles city side of Vermont avenue and that the city of Los Angeles will prosecute the work with the utmost diligence.

**Coast Highway**  
A resolution from the San Pedro Chamber of Commerce was read favorable to the construction of the coast highway through Redondo Beach. It was urged that the road be constructed for reasons of military strategy and for purposes of intercommunication by the civilian population both for business and for recreational purposes.

**Condolence Resolution**  
A resolution from the Gardena Valley Chamber of Commerce was adopted as the sympathetic voice of the Fourth District also in reference to the passing away of the late Millard Fillmore Shepard, who was the first president of the Fourth District organization and who had been the pioneer in working for the completion of Western avenue from Los Angeles through Moneta, to Torrance and to the sea. George Proctor of Torrance arose and gave tribute to the memory of Mr. Shepard. "In fact, Mr. Shepard was the founder of Western avenue and was one of the charter members of the organization and well do we remember his meeting with us at Lomita and his steadfast devotion to the best interests of the communities as represented in this organization."

**Malibu Road**  
Mr. Gourdiar brought up the discussion of the Malibu road through the Rindge estate, known as the Malibu ranch.

Supervisor R. F. McClellan was present and said that there are portions that could be bettered by following the coast line. "We have said to the State Highway Commission, that as soon as they find a better route, we will exchange with them. They have commenced to condemn right of way."

Chairman Finkle stated inquiries had been made of the funds expended, that the report stated that the sum total to date was \$178,000; William Klusman said he was perfectly familiar with the Malibu country and said: "I think the supervisors have done right in the matter of the Malibu road."

Mr. McClellan said: "We have only attempted to open the road and have not been able to complete it, but of course, completion is of the utmost importance."  
Chairman Finkle said that, as a civil engineer, the road was not wanted in full length as a permanent paved proposition, on account of the grades but the object is to devise means to avoid difficulties of this kind. A committee composed of Captain Hanson of San Pedro, Mr. Baldwin of Long Beach and Fred Calloway of Redondo Villa was appointed to confer with Supervisor McClellan on the subject.

Henry Z. Osborne of Los Angeles addressed the meeting upon the subject of civic co-operation.  
Mr. Averill of San Pedro, chairman of the Western avenue committee, said that full and complete rights of way had been given for Western avenue at the southern end and that this included rights across the Palos Verdes tract.

J. H. Paige of Pomona, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce and president of the San Gabriel Association of the Associated Chambers of Commerce, addressed the meeting.

**Expanding Membership**  
At the close of the address Secretary Mellinger of Compton moved that a committee of three be appointed to consult with the San Gabriel Associated Chambers of Commerce with the purpose of inducing them to come into the Fourth District organization. It was pointed out by the meeting that sectional lines be waived and that outside organizations be welcomed into the larger body.

Chairman Finkle appointed Mr. Pottinger of Redondo Beach, Mr. Walton of Long Beach and Mr. Allen of Los Angeles, the latter appointee being a member of the Southwest Chamber of Commerce, all three named to meet with the Associated Chambers of Commerce of the San Gabriel Valley with the idea of their affiliation.

**Dutton Does Things**  
George W. Dutton of Van Nuys was introduced and said: "I am glad to be here in this great assemblage; it is worth the trip down here to beautiful Torrance. I am, in some respects, like a newly married couple on their honeymoon tour on a railway train going through a dark tunnel. By some means their faces seemed glued together, in the dark; and the train moved on and on. The man thought he could tunnel, say something to divert attention, for the passengers were laughing at the disfigurement of the bride and groom. The man said: 'Don't you know this tunnel cost a million dollars?' 'In deed,' said the girl. 'Well, it is worth it.'"

**Inspect Glass Works**  
The address closed with a surging mass of hundreds pouring on Border avenue to see the making of plate glass in the big works down the line where hundreds are at work, night and day, engaged in their toil around the big "four feet in depth, molten glass tank" in a lake of bright as shimmering gold. And it is the gold of great manufacturing industries that has made the name of Torrance synonymous with progress and a demonstration of the fact that a manufacturing industry makes a prosperous community, which, like Torrance, rose like magic from the plain.

Eleven members of the Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce were present at the Tuesday meeting. Four were absent, as was Secy. Gadeky, who had important business in Los Angeles.

P. J. Snedecor, real estate dealer was accepted as a member.  
Secy. Gadeky was instructed to assist the Southern California Edison Company in securing an office in Torrance.

Directors Neill and Teal recommended that the street roads committee hold a conference with the Pacific Electric officials in the matter of improvement of Cabrillo St. and the Pacific Electric right-of-way.

Mr. Neill's suggestion that the matter of the Pacific Electric road to Redondo be taken up with that company at once received hearty endorsement. This will give Torrance a twenty-minute service between Los Angeles and Redondo and will be the cause of bringing to this city more people daily.

Another item of better transportation to the city was brought to the attention of the board by Mr. Neill in the matter of paving Westerg Ave. within the city of Torrance. A direct thoroughfare from center of this city would bring hundreds of sightseers here who do not travel on other boulevards now running through here. The matter was referred to the street and roads committee for data as to requirements for having this work done.

**RECEPTION**  
A reception will be held Friday evening, April 27, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Young, Susanna street, under the auspices of the M. E. church board, assisted by the Ladies' Aid, for the new pastor and wife, Rev. and Mrs. Morris. You are cordially invited to come and bring your friends.

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**LADIES' AID SOCIETY**  
The Methodist ladies held a most successful and enjoyable meeting at the home of Mrs. John A. Young, on Susanna street, Tuesday afternoon, April 18. Nearly fifty members and their friends were present. Strawberry shortcake with whipped cream was served by the hostesses, Mrs. J. A. Young, Mrs. E. P. King, Mrs. Ben Olson and Mrs. J. A. Campbell. The next regular meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. W. W. Woodington, on Arlington avenue, the third Tuesday in May. A lawn social is being planned.

**BOX LUNCH SOLD**  
The Box Lunch Cafe on Cabrillo avenue was sold Wednesday to George W. Lencner, an experienced chef of San Francisco.

**ARCHITECTURAL DESIGNING**  
Wyncock & Hodge, Long Beach, Calif. Phone 638-378. See Gilbert & Hansen, at State Exchange Bank for references. A-20-11-pd.

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### NOTICE INVITING BIDS FOR PURCHASE OF FRANCHISE.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Trustees of the City of Torrance propose to grant a 21-year franchise for a railway to cross certain streets and alleys in the City of Torrance at points designated on that certain plat on file in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Torrance and attached to the Santa Fe Ry. Company's application for franchise, dated January, 3, 1923, and that said franchise when issued will be conditioned upon the beginning of construction work upon the first of said crossings within six months from the date of adoption of the ordinance granting such franchise, and on the further condition that beginning not later than 18 months after the said date of adoption of such ordinance there shall be operated thereafter during the life of such franchise one train daily in each direction over such railway between the southern terminal of said railway and the Los Angeles City proper, and the construction work on said crossings shall be done so that the railway tracks across said streets when completed shall conform to grades of the City of Torrance and all boulevard approaches to such tracks shall be constructed at the expense of the grantee under such franchise.

Said franchise will be granted upon the further condition that there shall be maintained at each of the crossings of said railway over Arlington Avenue and Carson Street respectively, a standard approved automatic "wig-wag" signaling device equipped with red light visible in either direction on the said respective streets under normal conditions for a distance of five hundred feet.

Bids are hereby requested for the purchase of such a franchise said bids to be filed with the City Clerk not later than 7:30 P. M., May 1st, 1923, at which time same will be opened and declared and notice is hereby given that said franchise will be awarded to the bidder offering to pay the City of Torrance the greatest sum as compensation for the use or possession of such franchise.

Said bids must be in accordance with Ordinance No. 31 of the City of Torrance and must be accompanied by certified check of not less than \$100.00 payable to City Treasurer as a fund out of which to pay all expenses connected with such application, and every bid shall be accompanied with a certified check for not less than \$500.00 so payable as a guarantee of good faith.

Witness my hand and the seal of the said City this 17th day of April, 1923.

(SEAL)  
A. H. BARTLETT,  
City Clerk of the City of Torrance.

### City Hall News

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committee for report at the next meeting.

The Chautauqua committee asked, through Trustee Fitzhugh, for permission to string banners, etc., along and across the streets of the city as a means of advertising the Chautauqua feast. The request was granted.

Trustee Proctor stated that he had a very gratifying report to make, which was, that the septic tank was clean from top to bottom—the first time since his tenure of office; that, with the due amount of attention, it was unnecessary for the tank to be in such bad condition again.  
Mr. Jessup remarked that Mr. Gascoigne and his men should be extended a vote of thanks for the manly, loyal and persistent attitude which was maintained by them throughout the duration of this very undesirable job; that the least that could be done was to give them honorable mention.

The city engineer also stated that the ball grounds had been finished as far as leveling was concerned; that the only thing yet to be done was to build the backstop, which could be done within the \$200 appropriation allowed. Also that no definite report on the tentative lighting system had been received, but it would cost about \$40,000 to install a passable system, depending on what kind of ornamental standards, etc., were decided upon.  
The city engineer asked the board to confirm his appointment of A. H. Bartlett as his assistant for the inspection of buildings, sewer connections, plumbing and wiring.

In the matter of using six-inch tile in Fire District No. 1, the engineer stated that Class C buildings, according to the ordinance, were supposed to be built of brick, stone or concrete, and that the use of tile was an infringement of the rules and rather a dangerous precedent.

An estimate of the cost of a sprinkling system for the El Prado park was given as from \$600 to \$800; that a plumber's estimate was from 1200 to 1500 for a suitable layout. It was suggested that the park might be beautified to a certain extent before the installation of the sprinkling system—space for same being reserved in the plans. Trustee Proctor promised a further report at the next meeting.

Plastering of the city fire house and jail will be completed this week, after which the engineer will start the grading necessary before the paving around said building.  
The chief of police reported that the licenses and dog licenses had been collected to a gratifying extent, except in the Mexican village and in Vista Highlands.

The clerk was instructed to write for information concerning the delivery of the jail cells and the siren.  
Fire Chief Hannebrink reported the receipt of two nozzles, which had been presented to him by Mr. Baird. Trustee Proctor moved that Ordinance No. 51 be adopted as read for its final reading, and the same be filed in the office of the city clerk.

Trustee Fitzhugh produced a map of the territory surrounding the sewer farm on which were delineated two lots which the Dominguez Land Corporation offered to the city at the rate of \$1000 per acre. Said two lots comprised .625 of an acre. The Dominguez Land Corporation also agreed to deliver a deed to lot 13. The trustee stated that a portion of the lot on which the sewer farm proper was located would be included in the deed.

Trustee Stone moved that the city purchase lots No. 14 and 15, tract No. 5944 and accept deed to lot No. 13 of said tract, and that the warrant be dated January, 1, 1924. Motion was carried.

The matter of certain streets not being dedicated, brought up by Mr. Gadeky, was referred to the city engineer for investigation, on motion by Trustee Fitzhugh, seconded by Trustee Nash, and a majority vote.

President Gilbert asked Trustee Fitzhugh to take over the duties formerly assigned to himself, such as chairman of the ordinance committee, etc.

## Sam Seelig Company Announces Lowest Prices In Years

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- Spinach—The velvet kind—no grit, no stems, No. 2½ cans... 20c
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- Silverdale Tomatoes, No. 2 cans... 10c
- Sauerkraut, No. 2½ cans... 17½c

- Oak Glen Butter 50c
- Tuesday and Wednesday
- A New California Dessert
- Klumyrna Ripe Figs in Syrup—No. 2½ can 40c
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